

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in this application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.
An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A threading mechanism in a magnetic writing/reading apparatus wherein a leader block for taking a magnetic tape out of a tape cartridge is stabilized in motion and ensured to operate reliably even in a state of not holding the tape is to be provided. In the mechanism for threading the magnetic tape to a reel within the apparatus, the leader block for taking out a leader pin out of the tape cartridge is rotatably fitted to the arm shaft of a movable arm, and the leader block moves along guides at the time of loading the tape cartridge.